

Best Wishes From The Columbia Evening Missourian

For a Merry Christmas

MURRY FOUND
NEAR CHICAGO,
SAYS MESSAGE

Telegram Signed "John Abbott"
Says He Is on Farm Ap-
parently Unbalanc-
ed Mentally.

FATHER TO BRING HIM
Parent Goes at Once to Try to
Identify Columbian Miss-
ing Since Novem-
ber 22.

Boy M. Murry, automobile salesman,
who mysteriously disappeared from Col-
umbia on November 22, is believed to be
on the farm of John Abbott, near the
quarries of Chicago.

Late yesterday his wife received the
following telegram from Chicago: "Roy
Murry is on my farm. Mind seems to
be unbalanced. Shall I send him to Cen-
tral?"

JOHN ABBOTT
The address of the sender was not
given. It was said at the telegraph of-
fice here that the message was sent from
a suburban office in Chicago.

Dr. P. H. Murry, father of the missing
man, and Policeman William Miller
noted to Centralia last night and
caught a C. & A. train for Chicago.

H. D. Murry, brother of Doctor Mur-
ry, said that he expected a message from
Chicago today telling him the result of
his brother's search.

Mrs. P. H. Murry said this morning
that her son had had two bad attacks of
influenza. This disease may cause the
mind to become temporarily unbalanced,
physicians say.

Another telegram was received from
John Abbott this morning asking an
answer, yes or no, to his previous in-
quiry. They replied informing Abbott
that Doctor Murry had left Columbia for
Chicago last night.

"Since receiving the second message
this morning I feel sure that our son is
the man on Abbott's farm," his mother
said.

At noon today no word had been re-
ceived from Dr. Murry.

INCOME TAXES
BOB UP AGAIN

Beginning Jan. 1, It Will Be
Time to File Returns
Again.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Extensive
plans for aiding taxpayers in filing their
income tax returns for the year 1920 are
being made by the Bureau of Internal
Revenue. Revenue officers will visit ev-
ery county in the United States to assist
in making out the forms.

Forms for filing 1920 returns of in-
come will be sent by collectors to persons
who last year filed a return. Failure to
receive a form, however, does not relieve
a person from his obligation to file a re-
turn within the time prescribed. Copies
may be obtained from offices of collectors
of internal revenue, branch offices, post-
office and banks and are expected to be
available on or before January 1.

The period for filing returns is from
January 4 to March 15, 1921. The tax
may be paid in full at the time of filing
the return or in four installments, the
first of which is due on or before March
15, the second before June 15, the third
before September 15 and the fourth be-
fore December 15. The first installment
must accompany the filing of the return.

The requirements of the revenue act
relating to returns for the year 1920 are
the same as those for the year 1919. Ev-
ery single person whose income for 1920
was \$1,000 or more and every married
person whose income was \$2,000 or more
must file a return. The exemptions are
\$1,000 for single persons and \$2,000 for
married persons and heads of families.
An additional exemption of \$200 for
each person dependent upon the taxpay-
er for chief support if such person is un-
der 18 years of age or incapable of self-
support. A single person may claim an
exemption of \$2,000 as the head of a fam-
ily if he is the sole support of one or
more relatives living in the same house-
hold with him, and if he exercises control
over household affairs.

The normal tax rate for 1920 is 4 per
cent on the first \$4,000 income above the
exemption, and 8 per cent on the re-
maining income. The surtax rate, which
is computed without the benefit of the
exemption, ranges from 1 per cent on
the amount of income between \$5,000 and
\$6,000 to 65 per cent on the amount of
income in excess of \$1,000,000.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Fair to-
night, Saturday increasing cloudiness,
probably followed by rain or snow Sun-
day. Steadily rising temperature; lowest
tonight 15; lowest Saturday night 28.

For Missouri: Fair tonight, Saturday
increasing cloudiness; rising temperature
Saturday and in the west and extreme
north portions tonight.

Shippers' forecast: Within a radius of
200 miles of Columbia the lowest tem-
perature during the next 36 hours will
be west 10; north 10; east 10; south 14.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Not just "Merry Christmas" the same
as "Good Morning" but a great smiling
"Merry Christmas" full of that wonderful
elixir called Christmas Spirit.

Christmas time is a wonderful time;
the birthday of the greatest character in
all history and the one birthday that is
celebrated all over the world. The
Christmas Spirit with which Christians
celebrate this birthday is so beautiful and
so inspiring that even non-Christians are
inspired thereby and at this season that
Spirit prevails everywhere.

The Merry Christmas Spirit is not an
exclusive right; it is a Universal Spirit
and belongs to men of every race and
color, save blue. The blue man cannot
absorb his just share of this Spirit and
remain blue. Christmas Spirit is an in-
toxicant that makes one smile, makes
one kind toward all living things and
makes one glad he is here.

In this great business called Life, it is
time to declare dividends. Material
business declares dividends at the be-
ginning or middle of the year and uses
dollar marks but the business of Living
declares its dividends at Christmas time
when its dividends are most needed; its
dividends are spelled with a big L. It
is the dividend of Love.

How successful has your business of
Living been this year? How large a
dividend of Love can you declare at this
birthday time when all the world needs
so much Love? Don't be afraid of giv-
ing all your Love away. Love, like its
messenger, Smile, increases only as you
give it to others.

Declare a dividend of Love equal to
your capital stock plus your profits and
you will be delightfully surprised at the
way in which your business of Living
prosperes.

To our friends, to your friends, to the
friends of our friends and to the friends
of your friends, we say "Merry Christ-
mas" and we say it with a Smile.

PROFESSOR TO GO ABROAD

Will Work in Radio Experiments
With Sir Ernest Rutherford.

Dr. Herman Schlundt, professor in the
chemistry department, sails for England,
January 4 where he will be associated
with Sir Ernest Rutherford in the Caven-
dish Laboratory of Cambridge Univer-
sity in the study of Radioactive sub-
stances and their radiations.

He will be accompanied by Mrs.
Schlundt and their two daughters, Anna
and Esther. They will, however, go to
Montpellier, France, while Dr. Schlundt
is at Cambridge. They will probably stay
in Europe after Dr. Schlundt returns to
the University next fall.

No Trace of F. T. Norris' Car.

No trace has been found of the Cham-
bers car stolen from F. T. Norris on De-
cember 16. Mr. Norris carried \$1,800 in-
surance on the car. The adjuster for
the insurance company was in town yester-
day and offered a \$200 reward for the
recovery.

"The Day After" His Subject.

"The Day After" is the subject Dean
Walter Williams has selected for discus-
sion at his Bible class next Sunday, the
day following Christmas. The class is
held in connection with the Presbyterian
Sunday school. It meets at 9:45 o'clock
in the Broadway Oddon.

Stephens Couple to Wed.

Miss Lillian Hudson went to Stephens
this morning to attend the wedding of
Miss Stella Stephens and Norman Boyd.
The wedding will take place at the home
of the bride at Stephens Store at 6
o'clock this evening. The Rev. Archie
Brown will perform the ceremony.

TONS OF COAL
ARE OFFERED
FOR CITY TREE

600 Bushels of Fuel Given for
Distribution After Com-
munity Celebration
Tomorrow.

TO RECEIVE OTHER GIFTS
Program on East Campus of
University to Be Open-
ed by Ringing of Church
Bells at 6 p. m.

The Boone County Coal Company made
a gift today to the Community Christ-
mas Tree of 600 bushels of coal. This, says
Mayor Gordon, is the largest gift that
has been made this year. The letter sent
by the Boone County Coal Company to
Mayor Gordon follows:

"In view of the fact that work is get-
ting slack in Columbia, there will be
suffering among the worthy poor this
winter unless we all do our full duty to
prevent the same; so I ask the privilege
of donating to the Community Christ-
mas Tree 600 bushels of coal, all of
which is to be distributed by D. E. Major
of the Charity Organization Society.

BOONE COUNTY COAL CO.
By J. H. Jenkins.

Other gifts for the Charity Organi-
zation Society will be placed in the box
and on the tables in front of the terrace
while the audience sings "America" at
the close of the municipal festival ex-
ercises tomorrow evening, according to
H. F. Major, director of the festival.

The program for the festival is as fol-
lows:

6 p. m.—Columbia church bells ring.

6 p. m.—Overture by the Columbia
Band.

6:10—Pageant, "Mary and Joseph go
to Jerusalem," Miss Marcia Bailey as
Mary and Alfonso Johnson as Joseph;

6:25—Tableau, "The Nativity of
Christ," anthems, "Hark, the Herald
Angels Sing," and "It came upon a Mid-
night Clear," by the community singers.

6:35—Santa Claus and dance of the
reindeer; proclamation by Santa Claus.

6:40—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

6:15—Dance of the Fairy Queen by
Miss Mona Brown.

6:20—Pageant, "The Wise Men fol-
low the Star," by Berger McAlester, B.
F. Hoffman and E. D. Lee; song, "O
Holy Night," by community singers.

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Band; audience joins in song.

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Band; audience joins in song.

6:50—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

6:55—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

7:00—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

7:05—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

7:10—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

7:15—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

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Band; audience joins in song.

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Band; audience joins in song.

7:50—"America," by the Columbia
Band; audience joins in song.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING
CONTINUES TO LAST IN
SPITE OF COLD WINDS

The last day before Christmas, finds
the streets and stores still thronged with
shoppers. In spite of the bitter wind
and cold, many shoppers appeared.
Crowds were found in the 10-cent stores,
particularly around the counters where
children's toys are displayed. Swarms
of eager and excited children hemmed
the toy sections though they are doing little
buying.

Christmas shopping began early, but
shows every indication of continuing un-
til the last minute. The buying this year
is conservative, but no more so than it
has been for the last three years. Peo-
ple are buying useful rather than foolish
things, though there is a large demand
for novelties. According to some mer-
chants, the greatest sales are in hosiery,
stationery and handkerchiefs.

Others say that the Columbia electric light bills
will be reduced if the numerous candle
sticks sold are used. Women are also
buying much chinaware.

The supply of Christmas cards and
even of New Year's cards has already
been exhausted, only one store having
any left. Judging from the sales of the
week, old Santa will bring Columbia
children chiefly dolls, tea-sets, games
and books.

The large number of flowers ordered
indicates a bright Christmas even if it
is a white one. The drug stores are making
big sales in candy and ivory toilet arti-
cles.

\$301 IS GIVEN
FOR CHINESE

Columbia's Donations to Relieve
Oriental Famine Still
Grow.

The Mission fund for relief of the
starving in China has reached \$301. Yes-
terday's list failed to print one from "a
subscriber" which amounted to \$5. The
amounts of the first four had been in-
cluded in the total already acknowledged
but the names had not been printed. The
total received up to and including yes-
terday then was \$270.

CHINA RELIEF CONTRIBUTIONS

Received yesterday: \$270.00

Berry Wholesale Grocery Co. 10.00

Irene Ross 1.50

Winifred Ross 1.50

David Ross 1.50

Miss L. C. Crumbaugh 3.00

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith 1.50

Jos. A. Barth 5.00

D. J. Sullivan 1.00

Mrs. Mamie Roberts 1.00

Elizabeth H. Williams 5.00

Total \$301.00

STOCKHOLDERS WILL MEET

Bank Directors and Officers to Be
Chosen in January.

During the first month of the new
year the majority of the banks of Colum-
bia will hold their annual stockholders
meetings. At these meetings the stock-
holders elect the directors for the ensuing
year and the new directors then elect the
officers of the bank.

The Boone County National Bank and
the Exchange National Bank will hold
their annual meetings January 11. It is
required by law that all national banks
hold their annual meetings the second
Tuesday in January.

The Columbia Savings Bank will hold
its annual meeting the first Wednesday
in January. The Central Bank will hold
its meeting the second Tuesday in Febru-
ary, and the Central-Miners Bank meet-
ing will be held the first Thursday in Janu-
ary. The Boone County Trust Company
calls its annual stockholders meeting dur-
ing the month of October.

Nelson Tiedel Here From Harvard.

Nelson Tiedel, who is a graduate stu-
dent in business administration at Har-
vard University, is spending the Christ-
mas vacation in Columbia with his par-
ents, Prof. and Mrs. F. M. Tiedel. He
will return to Cambridge in time for the
resumption of class work at the Univer-
sity on January 3.

Columbia Couple to Marry.

H. H. Kinzie and Miss Lucille Grubbs,
both of Columbia are to be married at 3
o'clock Sunday. They will leave the last
of January for a visit to Wray, Colo., to
visit Miss Grubbs' parents, Mr. and Mrs.
C. W. Grubbs, after which they will be
at home in Columbia.

No New Patients at Hospital.

No new patients were admitted today
to Parker Memorial Hospital. Miss Dolly
Judy of Columbia and Walter Presher,
a short course student, have been re-
leased. Owing to the small number of
patients in the hospital no plans have
been made for Christmas.

Sells Farm for \$10,000.

B. F. Dunham of 600 Conley avenue,
has sold a 195-acre farm, 8 miles north of
Columbia, to T. E. Wisdom. The con-
sideration was for \$10,000.

THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS



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LEAP YEAR IS
"SUCCESSFUL"

Jewelers, Ministers and County
Recorder Testify to Re-
sults of 1920.

As leap year draws to a close it is evi-
dent that Boone County women have taken
advantage of their opportunities.

There have been more marriages per-
formed this year than in any previous
year according to John L. Henry, county
recorder. There were 289 marriages last
year, the largest number up to that time,
and 308 so far this year.

Jewelers say they have sold more dia-
mond solitaires this year than ever be-
fore. Goetz & Lindsey has sold more en-
gagement rings this year than any other
one article of jewelry.

The question was referred to the
preachers. The Rev. G. W. Hatcher said,
"Do I think women have taken advantage
of the opportunities of Leap Year? Well
I should say I do," in a slow, emphatic
tone. "Women always get what they go
after. Where they lead, men always fol-
low."

The Rev. W. S. St. Clair says that
"without a doubt the increased number
of marriages is due to women being the
'aggressor.' Women are responsible for
the marriages; why, men have nothing
to do with the matter at all," he said.

OIL LEASES IN THIS COUNTY

Tracts South of Columbia Figure in
Papers Filed.

Fourteen oil leases covering acreage in
the southern part of Boone County were
filed with County Recorder John L. Hen-
ry yesterday by H. V. Daugherty and A.
A. Niemeyer. Twenty leases were sent
in but the fee remitted was sufficient to
include the filing of only fourteen. It
has been reported that an abandoned
well which was drilled at New Franklin
about four years ago has been purchased
by a large eastern oil company and that
drilling will start again soon.

LOW FARES FARMERS' WEEK

Certificates Granting Rates Must
Be Signed Here.

Special railroad rates amounting to a
fare and a half for the round trip have
been authorized for Farmers' Week, Janu-
ary 17-21. Tickets will be sold from
January 15 to 21 with the return limit
to expire January 23.

MRS. MARY WILLIAMS DIES

Funeral Tomorrow for Mother of
Mrs. W. G. Manly.

Mrs. Mary Frances Williams died early
this morning at the home of her daugh-
ter, Mrs. W. G. Manly, 720 Maryland
place, as the result of a stroke of paral-
ysis at noon Wednesday.

Mrs. Williams was born on April 6,
1848, in Glasgow, Mo. She was related
to the Prices, Heads and Collinses, who
were the early settlers of Missouri from
Virginia and Kentucky. She first mar-
ried Dr. C. H. Jordan. After his death,
she married Col. Oliver D. Williams,
father of Walter Scott Williams of Col-
umbia. Mrs. Williams is survived by
three daughters: Mrs. W. G. Manly, Mrs.
H. A. Neill of Philadelphia and Mrs. H.
L. Crosby, wife of Professor Crosby of
the University of Pennsylvania.

The funeral services will be at the
home of Prof. W. G. Manly at 8:45
o'clock tomorrow morning. Her body
will be taken to Warrensburg and buried
by the side of her husband.

VIA SCHOOL GIVES PROGRAM

Pupils Display Models Representing
Nations of World.

The pupils of the Via School entertain-
ed with a Christmas program at the
schoolhouse last night. Among the guests
was C. E. Northcutt, county superintend-
ent of schools.

A program of Christmas songs and rec-
itations was given and presents were dis-
tributed to the children. Underneath
the Christmas tree were placed models
made of sand and rock representing var-
ious countries of the world. The mod-
els, which were made by the pupils of the
school, contained miniature houses, riv-
ers and lakes, and representations of the
people of the different countries, dressed
in appropriate costumes and engaged in
their respective countries. Miss Annie Lewis
is the teacher of the Via School.

6 Above Zero Last Night.

Columbia had the coldest weather that
it has had so far this winter last night,
when the thermometer registered 6 above
zero. This is not unusually cold for this
time of year, according to the weather
bureau reports. The coldest December
day was December 20, 1902, when the
mercury fell to 23 below zero.

War Mothers to Meet Monday.

There will be a meeting of the War
Mothers of Boone County at 2:30 o'clock
Monday afternoon in the Commercial
Club rooms.

WILL ARRAIGN
CLARA HAMON
ON CHRISTMAS

Alleged Slayer of Oil King Due
to Arrive in Ardmore To-
night—Hundreds Will
Meet Train.

TO BE FREED ON BOND

Sheriff and Prisoner Expected
to Avoid Crowds at Sta-
tion by Arrival
in Auto.

By United Press.
ARDMORE, OKLA., Dec. 24.—Ardmore in
a frenzy of excitement today is ready to
welcome home Clara S. Hamon, alleged
slayer of Jake L. Hamon, Oklahoma oil
king and politician.

No preparations have been made for
the homecoming, but hundreds of curi-
ous persons intend to greet her when she
sets foot on Ardmore soil again.

According to reports from Fort Worth,
the train bearing the pretty woman,
scheduled to arrive in Fort Worth this
morning, has been delayed on account of
engine trouble. The information said
she would arrive there at 2:20 this after-
noon and in Ardmore tonight.

Belief was expressed that Mrs. Hamon,
accompanied by Sheriff Garrett, would
leave her train at a point near here, and
would finish the trip in an automobile
in an effort to escape photographers.

It appears that the court ceremony will
occur tomorrow because of the delay in
her arrival. The accused woman will be
arraigned on the charge of murder and
will be released on \$10,000 bail pending
her trial.

ELKS CLUB TREE IS READY

Preparations for Tonight Are Com-
pleted.

Preparations for the Christmas cele-
bration at the Elks Club tonight are al-
most completed, according to O. B. Wil-
son, chairman of the committee on ar-
rangements. Two hundred and fifty
cards have been mailed which entitle the
children receiving them to one package
from Santa Claus. A child may receive
the gifts for his entire family, if other
members are unable to come.

As the children arrive they will be tak-
en to the living room in the basement
of the club, where a victrola and games
will amuse the young guests until 8
o'clock when Santa Claus will arrive.

As the name on the package is read,
the child holding the printed card with
the corresponding name, will be given a
sack, containing about a quart of nuts,
apples, oranges, and candy. Each sack
represents about \$1.

Christmas Day twenty-five boxes will
be delivered, each one containing four
pounds of meat, "side-meat," about a
pound of apples, four pounds of beans, one
peck of potatoes, sirup, fruit candy and
nuts. Each of these boxes costs \$5.

LEGION MAY FIGHT CRIME

Herbert Williams Post to Act Upon
State-Wide Recommendation.

The Herbert Williams post of the Amer-
ican Legion at its meeting Monday
will probably consider a recommenda-
tion recently made by the state com-
mander, John F. Williams, that the legion
posts throughout the state co-operate
with local authorities in helping to sup-
press the nation-wide crime wave. The
recommendation has just been received
by Virgil Cole, post adjutant.

Commander Williams said in part:
"All posts in this department are urged
to take up without delay the matter of
perfecting the post organization for the
most efficiency in co-operating with the
local officials when properly called upon
to maintain law and order, to suppress
crime and guarantee to every citizen the
protection pledged by law."

The state commander recommended
that the services of members should be
voluntary, and reminded legion officers
"not to take any action until called upon
by proper officials in the proper way."

STUDENTS TO GO CAROLING

Willing Spirit More Important Than
Good Voice, Say Organizers.